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Dear Lisa Pirie, Natalie D'Souza, Jared Ottenhof, Cassel Kapolak, and Charlie Nakashuk:

**RE: NPC File # 150560 [Seabird surveys, and devolution]**

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Scientific Research: Surveying Northern Fulmar (NOFU) nesting colonies in Cape Vera (Devon Island) and Baillarge Bay (North Baffin Island).
  - a. Use of helicopter to access the sites.
  - b. Use of cameras and drones to survey the birds.
2. Modifications to the original/amended project proposal:
  - a. Deleted locations that we were able to do.
  - b. Cape Vera was not visited in the previous year due to weather. We will land in Cape vera to do some devolution survey if possible.
  - c. We will also return to Baillarge Bay.
  - d. Dates changed for appropriate year.

3. Associated NPC File No: 148645, 148757, 148765, 149078, 149284, 149488, 149988, 150273
4. Associated NIRB File No: 06YN015
5. Location: Qikiqtani [Cape Vera and Baillarge Bay]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal (conformity determination issued on May 16, 2024), which still applies. In addition, the NOFU nesting colonies surveys were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No.: 06YN015). It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the proposed modifications to the dates and location of project activities do not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150560>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA)* to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the *NuPPAA*.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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